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121:103239 Developing multianalyte assays. **Ekins, Roger P.;**

Chu, Frederick (Med. Sch., Univ. Coll., London, W1N 8AA, UK). Trends Biotechnol., 12(3), 89-94 (English) 1994. CODEN: TRBIDM. ISSN: 0167-7799.

AB A review with 8 refs. Multianalyte 'binding' assays represent a major advance in microanal. technol. for the measurement of substances of biol. importance. Their further development should facilitate sensitive and reproducible quantification of analytes in many areas that are currently problematic, including diagnostic medicine and the standardization of biologicals.

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120:241888 Multianalyte microspot immunoassay. **Ekins, Roger;**

Chu, Frederick (Med. Sch., Univ. Coll. London, London, W1N 8AA, UK). Anal. Proc., 30(12), 488-9 (English) 1993. CODEN: ANPRDI. ISSN: 0144-557X.

AB A review without refs. of the use of the multianalyte microspot immunoassay in immunodiagnosis.

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119:44689 Immunoassay or binding assay employing a capture binding agent and a developing binding agent conjugated to fluorescent dye-containing microspheres. **Ekins, Roger Philip;**

Chu, Frederick Woodnam (Multilyte Ltd., UK). PCT Int. Appl.

WO 9308472 A1 930429, 47 pp. DESIGNATED STATES: W: AT, AU, BB, BG, BR, CA, CH, CS, DE, DK, ES, FI, GB, HU, JP, KP, KR, LK, LU, MG, MN, MW, NL, NO, PL, RO, RU, SD, SE, UA, US; RW: AT, BE, BF, BJ, CF, CG, CH, CI, CM, DE, DK, ES, FR, GA, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, ML, MR, NL, SE, SN, TD, TG. (English). CODEN: PIXXD2. APPLICATION: WO 92-GB1892 921015. PRIORITY: GB 91-21873 911015; GB 92-21094 921007.

AB A high-sensitivity binding assay for an analyte, in which process a capture binding agent having binding sites specific for the analyte and a developing binding material capable of binding with the bound analyte or with the binding sites on the capture binding agent occupied by the bound analyte or with the binding sites remaining unoccupied on the capture binding agent are used, employs the capture binding agent in an amt. such that only an insignificant fraction of the analyte in the sample becomes bound to the capture binding agent, the capture binding agent preferably being present at high surface d. on microspots. A label is used in the assay in relation to the developing binding material, the label being provided by microspheres having a size of less than 5 .mu.m and

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carrying a marker, preferably fluorescent dye molecule, contained within the microspheres. Thus, an ultrasensitive sandwich 2-step back-titration. TSH microspot immunoassay involves: (1) spotting polystyrene microtiter wells with 100 μ L monoclonal anti-TSH capture antibody, aspirating the antibody droplets, blocking the wells with bovine serum albumin, washing, adding 200 μ L sample to each well, and shaking the plate at room temp. for a given time (30 min to several h) and (2) adding 200 μ L developing binding material antibody conjugated to fluorescent dye-containing latex microspheres (diam. 0.1 μ m), to each well, shaking the plate at room temp. for 0.5-1 h, washing, aspirating until completely dry, and scanning with an MRC-600 Laser Scanning Confocal Microscope. A binding assay for DNA using single-stranded oligonucleotide DNA probe (capture binding agent) and an antibody recognizing only twin-stranded DNA sequence or other developing binding material also is described.

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114:77971 Fluorescence spectroscopy and its application to a new generation of high sensitivity multi-microspot, multianalyte, immunoassay. **Ekins, Roger; Chu, Frederick;** Biggart, Elizabeth (Dep. Mol. Endocrinol., Univ. Coll., London, W1N 8AA, UK). Clin. Chim. Acta, 194(1), 91-114 (English) 1990. CODEN: CCATAR. ISSN: 0009-8981.

AB A review with 14 refs. Advantages of high sensitivity multi-microspot multianalyte immunoassay systems are discussed.

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112:94908 Development of microspot multianalyte ratiometric immunoassay using dual fluorescent-labelled antibodies. **Ekins, Roger; Chu, Frederick;** Biggart, Elizabeth (Dep. Mol. Endocrinol., Univ. Coll., London, W1N 8AA, UK). Anal. Chim. Acta, 227(1), 73-96 (English) 1989. CODEN: ACACAM. ISSN: 0003-2670.

AB The general principles underlying multianalyte microspot immunoassay methodol. are outlined. It relies on the measurement of the ratio of fluorescent signals from individual antibody microspots forming a microspot array on a suitable plastic surface. In principle, the methodol. is capable of measuring 106 different substances in a sample vol. of 100 μ L.

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112:3922 High specific activity chemiluminescent and fluorescent markers: their potential application to high sensitivity and 'multi-analyte' immunoassays. **Ekins, Roger; Chu, Frederick;** Micallef, Jacob (Univ. Coll., Univ. London, London, W1N 8AA, UK). J. Biolumin. Chemilumin., 4(1), 59-78 (English) 1989. CODEN: JBCHE7. ISSN: 0884-3996.

AB The sensitivities of immunoassays relying on conventional radioisotopic labels, i.e., RIA (RIA) and immunoradiometric assay (IRMA), permit the measurement of analyte concns. $>10^7$ mols./mL. This limitation primarily derives, in the case of competitive or limited reagent assays, from the manipulation errors arising in the system combined with the physicochem. characteristics of the particular antibody used; however, in the case of noncompetitive systems, the specific activity of the label may play a more important constraining role. It is theor. demonstrable that the development of assay techniques yielding detection limits significantly $<10^7$ mols./mL depends on the following: (1) the adoption of noncompetitive assays designs; (2) the use of labels of higher specific activity than radioisotopes; and (3) highly efficient discrimination between the products of the immunol. reactions involved. Chemiluminescent and fluorescent substances are

capable of yielding higher specific activities than commonly used radioisotopes when used as direct reagent labels in this context, and both thus provide a basis for the development of ultrasensitive, noncompetitive, immunoassay methodologies. Enzymes catalyzing chemiluminescent reactions or yielding fluorescent reaction products can likewise be used as labels yielding high effective specific activities and hence enhanced assay sensitivities. A particular advantage of fluorescent labels (albeit one not necessarily confined to them) lies in the possibility they offer of revealing immunol. reactions localized in microspots distributed on an inert solid support. This opens the way to the development of an entirely new generation of ambient analyte microspot immunoassays permitting the simultaneous measurement of tens or even hundreds of different analytes in the same small sample, using (for example) laser scanning techniques. Early experience suggests that microspot assays with sensitivities surpassing that of isotopically based methodologies can readily be developed.

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109:163730 Detection of corticosteroid binding globulin in parotid fluids: evidence for the presence of both protein-bound and non-protein-bound (free) steroids in uncontaminated saliva.

Chu, Frederick W.; Ekins, R. P. (Middx. Sch. Med., Univ. Coll., London, W1N 8AA, UK). *Acta Endocrinol.*, 119(1), 56-60 (English) 1988. CODEN: ACENA7. ISSN: 0001-5598.

AB Corticosteroid-binding globulin (CBG) was detected by a specific RIA in mixed saliva (25.4 $\mu\text{g/L}$) and in pure, uncontaminated parotid fluids (17.4 $\mu\text{g/L}$) at resting flow-rates of approx. 500 $\mu\text{L/min}$ and 50 $\mu\text{L/gland per min}$, resp. CBG was not detected in parotid fluids collected at stimulated flow-rates of 300-1000 $\mu\text{L/gland per min}$. This suggested a flow-rate-dependent transfer/secretion of CBG in saliva. When cortisol was measured (RIA) in diln. expts. in both mixed saliva and parotid fluids using phosphate buffer at pH 7.4 as diluent, a protein-binding effect analogous to that found in plasma samples was obsd. However, this effect was abolished if a known CBG inhibitor, phosphate-citrate buffer at pH 4, was used as the diluent in the assay. A bound fraction of cortisol was found in both mixed saliva (14.0%) and parotid fluid samples (12.3%) by equil. dialysis. This contradicts the currently accepted notion that specific plasma steroid binding proteins (and protein-bound steroids) are absent from uncontaminated saliva, and that their presence in mixed saliva is the consequence solely of contamination by gingival fluid and/or plasma from mouth or gum abrasions. Apparently, both protein-bound and free steroids are present in uncontaminated saliva, so salivary total and plasma free steroid concns. are not identical.

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L16 ANSWER 1 OF 8 MEDLINE

AN 93161564 MEDLINE

TI Multianalyte testing [letter].

AU **Ekins R; Chu F**

SO Clin Chem, (1993 Feb) 39 (2) 369-70.

Journal code: DBZ. ISSN: 0009-9147.

CY United States

DT Letter

LA English

FS Priority Journals; Cancer Journals

EM 9305

CT Check Tags: Human

*Blood Chemical Analysis: MT, methods

Blood Chemical Analysis: ST, standards

*Immunoassay: MT, methods

Immunoassay: ST, standards

L16 ANSWER 2 OF 8 MEDLINE

AN 93135371 MEDLINE

TI Multianalyte microspot immunoassay. The microanalytical 'compact disk' of the future.

AU **Ekins R; Chu F**

CS Department of Molecular Endocrinology, University College and Middlesex School of Medicine, University College London, UK.

SO Ann Biol Clin (Paris), (1992) 50 (5) 337-53.

Journal code: 4ZS. ISSN: 0003-3898.

CY France

DT (DUPLICATE PUBLICATION)

Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LA English

FS Priority Journals

EM 9304

AB Throughout the 1970s, controversy centered both on immunoassay 'sensitivity' per se and on the relative sensitivities of labelled antibody and labelled analyte methods. Our own theoretical studies in this period revealed that radioimmunoassay (RIA) sensitivities could be surpassed only by the use of very high specific activity non-isotopic labels in 'non-competitive' designs, preferably based on the use of monoclonal antibodies. The time-resolved fluorescence methodology known as Delfia - developed in collaboration with the instrument manufacturer LKB/Wallac - represented the first commercial 'ultra-sensitive' non-isotopic technique based on these theoretical insights, the same concepts being subsequently adopted in comparable methodologies relying on the use of chemiluminescent and enzyme labels. However, a second advantage of high specific activity labels is that they permit the development of

'multi-analyte' immunoassay systems combining ultrasensitivity with the simultaneous measurement of tens, hundreds or thousands of analytes in a small biological sample. This possibility relies on simple, albeit hitherto unexploited, physicochemical concepts. The first is that all immunoassays rely on measurement of Ab occupancy by analyte. The second is that, provided the Ab concentration used is 'vanishingly small', fractional Ab occupancy is independent of both Ab concentration and sample volume. This leads to the notion of 'ratiometric' immunoassay, involving measurement of the ratio of signals (eg fluorescent signals) emitted by two labelled Ab's, the first ('sensor' Ab) deposited as a microspot on a solid support, the second a 'developing' Ab directed against either occupied or unoccupied sensor Ab binding sites. (ABSTRACT TRUNCATED AT 250 WORDS)

CT Check Tags: Comparative Study; Human

Binding, Competitive

*Immunoassay

Immunoassay: MT, methods

Immunoassay: ST, standards

L16 ANSWER 3 OF 8 MEDLINE

AN 92035562 MEDLINE

TI Multianalyte microspot immunoassay--microanalytical "compact disk" of the future.

AU **Ekins R P; Chu F W**

CS Department of Molecular Endocrinology, University College and Middlesex School of Medicine, London, U.K.

SO Clin Chem, (1991 Nov) 37 (11) 1955-67. Ref: 29

Journal code: DBZ. ISSN: 0009-9147.

CY United States

DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

General Review; (REVIEW)

(REVIEW, TUTORIAL)

LA English

FS Priority Journals; Cancer Journals

EM 9202

AB Throughout the 1970s, controversy centered both on immunoassay "sensitivity" per se and on the relative sensitivities of labeled antibody (Ab) and labeled analyte methods. Our theoretical studies revealed that RIA sensitivities could be surpassed only by the use of very high-specificity nonisotopic labels in "noncompetitive" designs, preferably with monoclonal antibodies. The time-resolved fluorescence methodology known as DELFIA--developed in collaboration with LKB/Wallac--represented the first commercial "ultrasensitive" nonisotopic technique based on these theoretical insights, the same concepts being subsequently adopted in comparable methodologies relying on the use of chemiluminescent and enzyme labels. However, high-specific-activity labels also permit the development of "multianalyte" immunoassay systems combining ultrasensitivity with the simultaneous measurement of tens, hundreds, or thousands of analytes in a small biological sample. This possibility relies on simple, albeit hitherto-unexploited, physicochemical concepts. The first is that all immunoassays rely on the measurement of Ab occupancy by analyte. The second is that, provided the Ab concentration used is "vanishingly small," fractional Ab occupancy is independent of both Ab concentration and sample volume. This leads to the notion of "ratiometric" immunoassay, involving measurement of the ratio of signals (e.g., fluorescent signals) emitted by two labeled Abs, the first (a "sensor" Ab) deposited as a microspot on a solid support, the second (a "developing" Ab) directed against either occupied or unoccupied binding sites of the sensor Ab. Our preliminary studies of this approach have relied on a dual-channel scanning-laser confocal microscope, permitting

microspots of area 1 microns 2 or less to be analyzed, and implying that an array of 10(6) Ab-containing microspots, each directed against a different analyte, could, in principle, be accommodated on an area of 1 cm2. Although measurement of such analyte numbers is unlikely ever to be required, the ability to analyze biological fluids for a wide spectrum of analytes is likely to transform immunodiagnosics in the next decade.

CT Check Tags: Comparative Study; Human

Binding, Competitive

*Immunoassay

Immunoassay: MT, methods

Immunoassay: ST, standards

L16 ANSWER 4 OF 8 MEDLINE

AN 91282106 MEDLINE

TI Multispot, multianalyte, immunoassay.

AU **Ekins R; Chu F; Biggart E**

CS Department of Molecular Endocrinology, University College, Middlesex School of Medicine, London, UK.

SO Ann Biol Clin (Paris), (1990) 48 (9) 655-66.

Journal code: 4ZS. ISSN: 0003-3898.

CY France

DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LA English

FS Priority Journals

EM 9110

AB Consideration of the basic principles of immunoassay design reveals that highly sensitive assays can, in principle, be developed using amounts of "sensor" antibody far smaller than are currently conventional in this field. Furthermore, when using such amounts, the fractional occupancy of antibody binding sites by analyte is independent of both sample volume and antibody concentration. Labelling of both the sensor-antibody and a developing antibody (designed to recognize either occupied or unoccupied sensor-antibody binding sites) permits the development of "ratiometric" immunoassays relying on measurement of the ratio of signals emitted by the two labelled antibodies. Furthermore, the sensor-antibody can be located within a "microspot" a few microns 2 in area. By labelling both sensor and developing antibodies with fluorescent labels, and scanning the microspot using a highly focussed laser beam, microspot immunoassays at least comparable in sensitivity with conventional "macroscopic" immunoassays are made possible. This in turn permits the development of immunoassay "arrays" capable in principle of measuring very large numbers of different substances within small samples (such as a drop of blood). The general principles and theory underlying these concepts are discussed, and preliminary experimental data using currently available instrumentation reported.

CT Check Tags: Human; Support, Non-U.S. Gov't

Fluorescent Antibody Technique

*Immunoassay: MT, methods

Lasers: DU, diagnostic use

Sensitivity and Specificity

L16 ANSWER 5 OF 8 MEDLINE

AN 91160170 MEDLINE

TI Fluorescence spectroscopy and its application to a new generation of high sensitivity, multi-microspot, multianalyte, immunoassay.

AU **Ekins R; Chu F; Biggart E**

CS Department of Molecular Endocrinology, University College and Middlesex School of Medicine, London, UK.

SO Clin Chim Acta, (1990 Dec 17) 194 (1) 91-114.

Journal code: DCC ISSN: 0009-8981.
CY Netherlands
DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LA English
FS Priority Journals
EM 9106
CT Check Tags: Human; Support, Non-U.S. Gov't
*Immunoassay: MT, methods
*Microscopy, Fluorescence

L16 ANSWER 6 OF 8 MEDLINE
AN 90022740 MEDLINE
TI High specific activity chemiluminescent and fluorescent markers:
their potential application to high sensitivity and 'multi-analyte'
immunoassays.
AU **Ekins R; Chu F**; Micallef J
CS Department of Molecular Endocrinology, University College, Middlesex
School of Medicine, University of London, UK.
SO J Biolumin Chemilumin, (1989 Jul) 4 (1) 59-78.
Journal code: 129. ISSN: 0884-3996.
CY ENGLAND: United Kingdom
DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LA English
FS Priority Journals
EM 9001
AB The sensitivities of immunoassays relying on conventional
radioisotopic labels (i.e. radioimmunoassay (RIA) and
immunoradiometric assay (IRMA) permit the measurement of analyte
concentrations above ca 10(7) molecules/ml. This limitation
primarily derives, in the case of 'competitive' or 'limited reagent'
assays, from the 'manipulation errors arising in the system combined
with the physicochemical characteristics of the particular antibody
used; however, in the case of 'non-competitive' systems, the
specific activity of the label may play a more important
constraining role. It is theoretically demonstrable that the
development of assay techniques yielding detection limits
significantly lower than 10(7) molecules/ml depends on: (1) the
adoption of 'non-competitive' assays designs; (2) the use of labels
of higher specific activity than radioisotopes; (3) highly efficient
discrimination between the products of the immunological reactions
involved. Chemiluminescent and fluorescent substances are capable of
yielding higher specific activities than commonly used radioisotopes
when used as direct reagent labels in this context, and both thus
provide a basis for the development of 'ultra-sensitive',
non-competitive, immunoassay methodologies. Enzymes catalysing
chemiluminescent reactions or yielding fluorescent reaction products
can likewise be used as labels yielding high effective specific
activities and hence enhanced assay sensitivities. A particular
advantage of fluorescent labels (albeit one not necessarily confined
to them) lies in the possibility they offer of revealing
immunological reactions localized in 'microspots' distributed on an
inert solid support. This opens the way to the development of an
entirely new generation of 'ambient analyte' microspot immunoassays
permitting the simultaneous measurement of tens or even hundreds of
different analytes in the same small sample, using (for example)
laser scanning techniques. Early experience suggests that microspot
assays with sensitivities surpassing that of isotopically based
methodologies can readily be developed.

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Antibody Affinity
Binding, Competitive
*Fluorescent Dyes

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*Immunoassay: MT, methods
 *Luminescence
 Radioimmunoassay: MT, methods
 CN 0 (Fluorescent Dyes)

L16 ANSWER 7 OF 8 MEDLINE
 AN 89267759 MEDLINE
 TI Validity of current analog-based free hormone immunoassays.
 AU Jowett T; **Chu F; Ekins R**
 CS Department of Molecular Endocrinology, Middlesex Hospital Medical
 School, University of London.
 SO Steroids, (1988 Oct) 52 (4) 365-6.
 Journal code: V10. ISSN: 0039-128X.
 CY United States
 DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LA English
 FS Priority Journals
 EM 8909
 CT Blood Proteins: ME, metabolism
 *Hormones: AN, analysis
 *Hormones, Synthetic: DU, diagnostic use
 Immunoassay
 Protein Binding
 CN 0 (Blood Proteins); 0 (Hormones)

L16 ANSWER 8 OF 8 MEDLINE
 AN 88323587 MEDLINE
 TI Detection of corticosteroid binding globulin in parotid fluids:
 evidence for the presence of both protein-bound and
 non-protein-bound (free) steroids in uncontaminated saliva.
 AU **Chu F W; Ekins R P**
 CS Department of Molecular Endocrinology, University College, London,
 UK.
 SO Acta Endocrinol (Copenh), (1988 Sep) 119 (1) 56-60.
 Journal code: ONC. ISSN: 0001-5598.
 CY Denmark
 DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LA English
 FS Priority Journals
 EM 8812
 AB Corticosteroid binding globulin (CBG) was detected by a specific
 radioimmunoassay in mixed saliva (25.4 +/- 4.0 micrograms/l, mean
 +/- SEM) and in pure, uncontaminated parotid fluids (17.4 +/- 2.7
 micrograms/l) at resting flow-rates of approximately 500
 microliters/min and 50 microliters/gland per min, respectively. In
 parotid fluids collected at stimulated flow-rates of between
 300-1000 microliters/gland per min, CBG could not be detected. This
 observation suggests the direct flow-rate-dependent
 transfer/secretion of CBG in saliva. When cortisol was measured
 (RIA) in dilution experiments in both mixed saliva and parotid
 fluids using phosphate buffer at pH 7.4 as diluent, a
 protein-binding effect analogous to that found in plasma samples was
 observed. However, this effect was abolished if a known CBG
 inhibitor, phosphate:citrate buffer at pH 4, was used as the diluent
 in the assay. A bound fraction of cortisol was found in both mixed
 saliva (14.0 +/- 4.0%) and parotid fluid samples (12.3 +/- 1.3%) by
 equilibrium dialysis. These findings appear to contradict the
 currently accepted notion that specific plasma steroid binding
 proteins, and hence the protein-bound steroids, are absent in
 uncontaminated saliva; and that their presence in mixed saliva is
 the consequence solely of contamination by gingival fluid and/or
 plasma from mouth or gum abrasions. We conclude that both

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protein-bound and free steroids are present in uncontaminated saliva and that salivary total and plasma free steroid concentrations are not identical.

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*Exudates and Transudates: ME, metabolism

Hydrocortisone: ME, metabolism

*Parotid Gland: ME, metabolism

Protein Binding

Radioimmunoassay

*Saliva: ME, metabolism

*Transcortin: ME, metabolism

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